

REPRESENTATIVE HILL

Of Columbiana County to Conduct a Crusade Against Rodents—Thinks Rats Carry Disease.

With the firm conviction that rats carrying disease are a great menace to the health of the people of Ohio, Representative Elijah Hill, of Columbiana county, has already entered upon a campaign which he hopes will end in the practical extermination of the rat family all over the state.

Hill has discussed the matter with members of the Cuyahoga legislative delegation and plans to introduce an anti-rat bill early in the next session of the general assembly.

As a preface to his legislative movement against rodents, Representative Hill has been consulting with State Health Officer Probst. He expects the health officer to assist in creating sentiment against the unlucky rat by sending a circular letter over the state setting forth the lurking dangers of disease that follow in the wake of scurrying rodents.

"I believe that the general health conditions in the state would be vastly improved if rats are exterminated," says the Columbiana statesman. "They carry disease wherever they go. It is a peril that must be eradicated."

"Anyone who has made any study of the subject knows that rats largely feed on decayed matter. They get into cellars where food for human consumption is stored and contaminate it, spreading typhoid and similar diseases."

"Sunday is the gala day for rats in

far too many grocery stores. Time and again I have seen great big rats running about in the windows of grocery stores on Sundays and have even seen them disporting themselves over the cabbages and cheese. I suppose some people will smile, but it is far from a smiling matter."

Representative Hill has not yet figured out just the nature of the anti-rat bill he will ask the legislature to consider. He believes the methods of John D. Rockefeller in getting rid of snakes on his Tarrytown estate by offering a ransom for every snake killed is worth considering. His consideration may result in a bill calling for the state to pay so much for every dozen dead rats.

Another suggestion Representative Hill is considering is the asking for a small appropriation to be expended in raising ferrets. The idea is to turn the ferrets loose and let them execute the extermination to be demanded by the proposed legislation.

Hill says the only objections he has heard against his rat crusade relates to the fact that the rodents are considered useful as scavengers. The legislator believes this could be done by hogs.

The Columbiana man is going to busy himself on his rat extermination crusade from now on. He is convinced that if he can drive the rodents over into Indiana or some bordering state he will be doing his own state a service that will endure him in fame.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

IN A CAVE

Man Who Claims to Be a Civil War Veteran Was Found by Mayor Turnbull.

Monday afternoon Officers Bour and Reed, accompanied by Mayor Turnbull, has an exciting chase at what is known as the Sangler farm, northwest of the city, after a crowd of tramps who have been troubling the farmers in that vicinity.

They failed to get any of them except one man, presumably about 65 years of age, who was living in a cave on the farm.

The man, who is said to be deranged, claims he is an old soldier, and steps will be taken by Mayor Turnbull to have him taken to a hospital or the soldiers' home.

HAD PRIVATE GRAVEYARD. Surrounding his cave he had a miniature graveyard decorated with will flowers and old flags. In the cave were found old kettles, pans and a numerous collection of odds and ends, which the police think he had picked up from time to time.

The mayor is endeavoring to capture the rest of the tramps.

DIVORCE CASE

Claims the Attention of Judge Ambler in Common Pleas Court.

The divorce case of Ida M. Patton against John Patton was taken up by Judge Ambler Monday afternoon. A divorce is asked on the ground of cruelty and drunkenness. A number of witnesses was examined on behalf of the wife. The husband, who is absent at present, was represented by Attorney William Simpson, who asked the court to pass the further hearing of the case until he could communicate with his client. The court made an order continuing the case until the last of the week. Attorney Piero represented the wife.

PETITION FILED. Lydia M. Meiser yesterday filed her petition in common pleas court against Charles Ake, I. C. Slusser and T. T. Daum, trustees of Osnaburg township, asking for a judgment of \$39 for services rendered Mrs. Devaux at the request of the trustees. The action comes into court on appeal from the docket of Albert Smith, J. P. N. A. Ernst, attorney for plaintiff.

SMALL BLAZE

Fire Department Called to the Home of J. Owto Yesterday Morning.

A small blaze at the home of J. Owto, 713 Mahoning street, called the fire department out at 11:35 yesterday morning. The fire was caused by a kettle of tar, which Mr. Owto was heating on the cook stove boiling over. Mr. Owto stepped from the kitchen for a minute and, on his return, found the room on fire. He tried to put out the blaze and was badly burned about the hands and face for his efforts. The rear of his home and a couple of outbuildings were damaged to the extent of \$100 to \$125.

WHO KILLED COCK ROBIN

Doctor Wible Did It With His Little Golf Ball—Remarkable Incident at Congress Lake.

Dr. Wible was playing golf on the Congress lake links Sunday afternoon, and in making one of those magnificent drives for which the doctor is justly famous, his ball suddenly veered to the right, and an object fluttered to the earth. Examination proved this object to be a robin, killed by a solar plexus blow.

Such an incident is of such rare occurrence that, in a similar case in England, a special record of it was made in golfing annals. The doctor is very proud of his record, and now claims the championship of America in plays of this character, and stands ready to defend his title against all comers.

Got Two Years.

Common Pleas Judge Ambler Monday sentenced Hiram Fulk to two years in the Ohio penitentiary at hard labor. Fulk who has been in jail for several months past was convicted by a jury for the non-support of two minor children. The court overruled the motion for a new trial filed by his attorneys, Sterling and Braucher. Prosecuting Attorney Upham moved now new trial the court passed the sentence above mentioned.

Meeting Postponed.

The meeting which was to have been held by the delegates of the different German societies of this city last night in Elsassers hall to organize a branch of the German-American Alliance of Ohio, has been postponed until future notice on account of the non-arrival of Max Henning, president of the state alliance. Mr. Henning telegraphed, that on account of urgent business matters, he would be unable to attend at present.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY MEETING

The annual festival of the Stark County Horticultural society was held at Nimisilla park, Canton, on Wednesday, June 20.

The weather being rather lowering in the morning the attendance was somewhat delayed, and the rain that came about 11 o'clock no doubt prevented many from putting in an appearance. By the noon hour over one hundred people had arrived on the grounds and brought with them good cheer and all that was necessary to make this one of the most delightful meetings of the year. Happily about noon the clouds cleared away, the weather was lovely, and many more from the city and nearby came for the afternoon session.

At 1:30 President Hanna called the meeting to order. Minutes of May meeting read and approved. William Hershey and William Bechtel were appointed to collect membership dues, and Mrs. Ona D. Myers and Mrs. A. J. Shaffer were appointed to take charge of the flowers in the place of the regular committee who all were engaged in serving the dinner or ice cream.

DR. YOUNG'S ADDRESS.

The essayist not being present Dr. Young, of the Canton college, was called upon for some remarks, who kindly responded with a well fitting talk on "Why Should We Educate Our Young People for the Higher Duties of Life?"

He said all of us agree that the highest power of the home, of a nation, depends upon the degree to which the educational faculties of the people have been developed. Many do not stop to realize the value of a good education. We never get through learning, either by study or by experience.

It is a right that we should use our power to develop the man physically, but it is equally right that we should use our power to cultivate and develop the mind that it may attain to its highest capacity, be that degree great or small.

Many of us do not know the possibilities that lie in the mind of the child of the home. If we knew the influence, the power he or she could or would exert in the home, the church or the nation, we would put forth more effort to cultivate and develop that power that it might attain to the highest and best duties of life.

The question is often asked shall we educate this boy or girl? Yes; but all minds do not have the same capacity and it does not seem meet to spend \$2,000 on a 5-cent boy or girl; but the intellectual faculties of the 5-cent boy or girl should be developed to the highest degree attainable, that he or she may use their best power to the greatest good. God has given us a soul power to exercise, mental faculties to be developed, that we may be better fitted for the highest duties of life.

This address all through was listened to attentively and received with applause. President Hanna followed with a few remarks, saying no doubt we all realized the truth in Dr. Young's address. C. W. Faust added that many powers have been wasted and squandered because not rightly directed in early life.

STRAWBERRIES.

C. W. Faust was requested to say something about strawberries. He said he had not given the strawberry the attention the past few years that he did formerly, but kept in touch with the business, and predicted that the use of this fruit will increase beyond our expectations, because of the improvement in the berry, its early fruitage and because it gives a fair compensation for the labor bestowed. He emphasized the idea that no fruit is so wonderfully influenced by the different soils as the strawberry, hence the necessity of the grower knowing the varieties suited to his soil and then to plant accordingly. The name originated from the berries being strung upon straws and sold in that manner, also, being mulched with straw, hence the name strawberry. The perfection thus far obtained in the strawberry, and the practically few varieties that are cultivated, have been developed out of thousands of seedlings. He made particular mention of one basket of fine berries on exhibition, which is a seedling that was developed by J. O. Stump near by Canton. The berry is large, finely colored, finely flavored and far exceeds many varieties now on the market. He gave a plan by which a berry field could be rid of rust, and like disease. This plan is successful as practiced by a man who grows 70 acres. This man in July mowed down the plants and let them dry, and burned all over the field, cultivated and thinned out the plants; the next winter mulched with straw, and the next summer harvested an immense crop of berries.

REV. POLING'S TALK.

Rev. Poling arriving about this time was pressed to a place on the program. Being now in a horticultural meeting, he did as horticulturists do, suited his talk to the company, and in a very pleasing manner gave a good, practical talk on some of the experiences of his boyhood vacations spent on the farm, and western ranch orchard where the rows of fruit trees were two miles long, and the work done in a wholesale manner. His experience as he related it proved to be a profitable lesson along different lines in horticulture. He said, "I believe in your object and work and am glad to be with you today. I believe in working hand in hand with God to develop fruit and flower, and the higher power of man. It makes us better men and women. Have seen comfort and happiness join hands with the man that works and realize that there is a pleasure and a benefit to be derived from love and contact with nature and nature's God."

The audience showed their appreciation of Mr. Poling's practical talk by hearty applause.

QUESTION BOX.

No. 1. How and what is the best means to get rid of the rose bug?

C. W. Faust said he tried dusting the trees thoroughly with air slacked lime, and succeeded in stopping them in their ravages. James A. Long used lime with good results. Mrs. J. Bast gave a remedy: Make a solution of one-half pound of whale oil soap to five gallons of water and spray the trees. Some one suggested this better be done just after a rain. Dr. Young said he had used a liberal supply of water from the hose and it seemed to drive them away. F. A. Hanna learned from one who had tried it that a solution of pokeberry root used as a spray would exterminate; also sulphur smoke under the trees.

No. 2. How to rid a lawn of ants? Answered that it can sometimes be bon oil in the ant hill. Sprinkle salt about their runs. Oil of cloves will drive them away from shelves. Mrs. Knoll advised the use of powdered borax sprinkled over shelves.

No. 3. How can the peach borer be destroyed?

Answered that it can some times be removed with a wire. It is helpful to wash the stem of the tree with salt.

No. 4. What is the best way to can strawberries to have them retain their flavor and color?

President called on the ladies to answer. Mrs. Long gave her method: Cover the berries with sugar, put the berries in the jar and cover with the syrup. Mrs. J. J. Snyder makes a syrup into which she drops the berries, lets them heat, dips the berries into the can and covers with this syrup.

No. 5. How near are strawberries over?

C. W. Faust thinks the season is nearly over. Thinks those who are waiting for the glut of the market to purchase berries will be disappointed.

No. 6. What is the influence of the blackberry on the human system?

Referred to C. W. Faust. C. W. Faust says the blackberry furnishes the system with an acid that is necessary to the system in the hot weather of July and August.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

On orchards—J. Willaman said he has nothing materially different to report from that of last month.

On vineyards and berries—C. W. Faust reports all small fruits excellent crops. Vineyards in good condition were not injured by early frost. President Hanna said that in general the rose bug has destroyed grapes. Several agreed with Mr. Hanna. Ed. Byerly gave an account of how a rose bush that grew under a grape vine was badly infested with rose bugs last year. This year he removed the rose bush, and this year that grape vine suffered attack.

On flowers—Your committee find a good display of cut flowers. Mrs. Ed. Byerly has on exhibition a very fine bulbous plant for name which the committee cannot name. Mrs. Eggert furnishes two bouquets, one of late pink peonies and one of several varieties of roses. A cluster of sweet peas was brought by Mrs. Hector Long. Sprays of honeysuckle under out name. A fine bud of magnolia brought by Mrs. Ritterspach. Mrs. Hershey has a bouquet of Jacquemont and coccinea clematis. Mrs. Willaman, a mixed bouquet of roses, lilies, sweet william, muskflower, pinks, one blooming and one foliage geranium, and primrose. Mrs. Ona Meyers furnishes two bouquets, one of Spanish iris and one of pink moss roses. C. W. Faust furnishes 200 carnations, and fifteen varieties of other flowers. Among the carnations are the Lawton, Flora Hill, American, Hewes white and silver spray varieties; five varieties of geraniums, fine yellow canna, bridesmaid and American beauty roses, abutilon Eclipse, variegated foliage double yellow flower. Committee, Mrs. M. J. Shaffer, Mrs. Ona Myers.

On stone fruit—M. Bitzer has two twigs of cherries on exhibition for name, which the committee cannot name, but look like the Early Richmond. Committee, Ed. Byerly, Mrs. Lablin, Mrs. Bast, William H. Hershey.

On berries—J. O. Stump exhibits a large variety of strawberries, as follows: Senator Dunlap, Missouri, Warfield, Sample, Bubach, Kittle Rice, William Belt, Stump's special, Gibson, Corsican. These samples are all very fine specimens. Mrs. Hester Wise-Long exhibits one variety of Warfield; extra fine berries. E. Byerly exhibits a sample of Dornan and Oregon Ironclad; good samples; also a sample of Chautauqua gooseberry; a very fine berry. Mrs. S. O. Eggert

exhibits a sample of gooseberry for name, which the committee names the Downing. Committee, W. B. Shanafelt, Hester Wise Long.

Report of committees accepted by approved motion.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

A bill of \$2 in favor of the Gleaner Printing Co. for the purchase and printing of the 100 postal cards of the notice of today's meeting was presented by the secretary. Bill by motion allowed and ordered paid. A bill for two floral designs furnished Stark County Horticultural society at \$5 each, \$10, was presented by C. W. Faust. The bill by motion was allowed and ordered paid.

New Members—E. S. Young, Moses Clay, Mrs. Mary E. Fife, Canton.

Renewals—Ona D. Myers, Alliance; Mrs. Mary Wolf, Cleveland, A. J. Shaffer, Moultrie; Mrs. M. A. Borat, Aultman; William Pennock, Marlboro; Mrs. Ed. Meyer, W. B. Shanafelt, Henry W. Hessler, James A. Long, C. W. Faust, Canton.

The next meeting will be held at the residence of William Pennock, Marlboro, on Wednesday, July 18.

Those who desire to go from Canton by trolley will report to W. B. Shanafelt three days previous to the meeting.

Adjourned to the ice cream department in charge of the ladies.

FRANK A. HANNA, President. MRS. S. O. EGGERT, Secretary.

"BABE" LESTER HOME

"Babe" Lester, the well known Canton soubrette, who mysteriously left the city last February in company with Jack Harrington, a knock-about song and dance artist, returned on Sunday evening and will once more make Canton her home. Already she has had offers to go out with a vaudeville company this fall on a tour of the country fairs, but has not as yet concluded to accept an engagement.

She denies the story sent out from here to the effect that she was married and declares that she has no intention of entwining a matrimonial noose around her neck.

NO INFRINGEMENT

Judge Taylor Decides Patent Case in Favor of Massillon Firm.

In U. S. circuit court Judge Taylor dismissed the case of Emil Tyden, of Grand Rapids against the Ohio Table Co., of Massillon for an alleged infringement of a patent. The costs were placed on the plaintiff.

WEDDINGS

TWO DALTON WEDDINGS. Dalton, O., June 25.—Miss Jennie Owens was married to George Eberly of Akron Wednesday at 6 o'clock and started at once for Akron where they will make their future home. Miss Owens was the head clerk in the Owens Department store and was very popular among the people.

William O. Ressler, head clerk in M. E. McDowell's hardware and implement store, was married Thursday evening to Miss Nannie Miller of Massillon at the bride's home. A reception was held for them at the Ressler home Friday afternoon, where they were greeted by a large number of friends and relatives.

RIEGLER-NOLFORTH.

Miss Lulu Rieger and Albert Nolforth were united in marriage Thursday morning at 7 o'clock at the home of Rev. Charles W. Recard, 500 North Newton street. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Slack, who acted as bridesmaid and best man. The bride was dressed in pink and green changeable silk and carried a large bouquet of bride's roses. The bridesmaid was gowned in gray satin. A wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Riegler, 1420 East Fifth street. Mr. and Mrs. Nolforth left at 8 o'clock over the B. & O. line for points in northern Ohio. They will be at home to their many friends after two weeks. The only out town guest of Miss Olive Burkhardt of Otterbein, O.

FRANZ-ZEIGLER.

Rev. J. A. Hall's parsonage was the scene of a quiet but beautiful wedding at 8 o'clock Monday evening, when Mary E. Franz, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Franz of 209 1/2 High street was married to Brandt F. Zeigler of this city. The ceremony was performed by Mr. Zeigler's brother, Rev. W. D. Zeigler, who has been ordained a pastor but six weeks, this being the first time he has officiated at a wedding.

Miss Franz had been timekeeper at the plate room of the Hampden works. The newly married couple leave on Wednesday for the east to be gone two weeks. They will be at home to their friends after July 12, at 1323 West Eighth street.

YOST-FAHRENKRUG.

August Fahrenkrug, of Clayton, Wis., and Mrs. Eliza Yost of Canton, were united in marriage yesterday at the home of the bride, 1121 West Williams street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. P. Herbruck. The couple was attended by Louis Schneider and Miss Florence Maurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Fahrenkrug will leave this morning for a brief wedding trip after which they will make their home at Clayton, Wis., where Mr. Fahrenkrug is employed.

ANSWER

Filed by Mrs. Burroway, Defendant in a Divorce Suit Brought by Her Husband.

Emma Burroway, defendant in a divorce case instituted against her by her husband, William J. Burroway, has filed her answer to the petition of her husband asking for a divorce, denying all the allegations of his petition excepting those that they were married and that the children named were born of such marriage. Further answering she says her husband did not conduct himself as a husband should, that he failed and neglected to provide her and the children with necessary food and clothing, that she was compelled to work and earn money to purchase clothing; that she is weak and sickly and has been for several years. She denies that she abandoned her husband or treated him cruelly, but that he has been guilty of cruelty towards her upon many occasions. She says that while the title to lot number 3916 in Canton is in her husband, she helped to earn the money paid for it and asks the court to set it off to her as her reasonable alimony. She prays that the petition of her husband be dismissed and that the care and custody of their minor children be awarded to her, and for such other proper relief as the court may think just. W. J. Piero, attorney for wife.

AFTER EVIDENCE

Salem Attorney in Canton Yesterday Looking Up Police Court Records to Be Used in Trial of Divorce Case.

Attorney W. G. Emmons, of Salem, was in Canton yesterday looking up evidence to be used in the divorce case of Mounts vs. Mounts, which is soon to be heard in the courts of Columbiana county, wherein W. E. Mounts is plaintiff and Minnie Mounts is defendant.

At the mayor's office he found that on November 9, 1904, the defendant was arrested in company with one Ora Evans on a charge of disturbance, to which both pleaded guilty and were fined \$15 and costs each. At that time and later on Mrs. Mounts was employed as a waitress in a West Fifth street restaurant, while Evans was a resident of Canton or Canal Dover. Last summer, so the attorney said, Minnie left Canton and made a trip to San Francisco, returning and locating in Toledo, where she now lives.

After leaving her husband in Salem Mrs. Mounts was employed for some time as a waitress in the Greiner-Braunard hotel in that city.

The Mounts have four children aged from 12 to 18 years and since the wife left the family residence in Salem they have been in the custody of Mr. Mounts, who is a well known and highly respectable citizen of that place.

Will Manage Roller Monthly.

Charles A. Witter, who for some time past has been the advertising manager of the William R. Zollinger & Co. department store, has purchased an interest in the Roller Printing Co. of this city, and after July 1 will assume the management of the Roller Monthly.

REV. TREIBER

Has Been Appointed a Member of the Board of Church Extension for Cleveland Diocese.

Right Rev. Bishop Horstmann of Cleveland has appointed Rev. C. Treiber of this city, a member of the diocesan board of church extension, to be formed in and for the diocese of Cleveland.

The first meeting of the board will be held today, June 25, in Cleveland, at St. Agnes' church. Rev. Clement Kelley, of Lapeer, Mich., the president of the church extension society, will be present at this meeting.

Whilst aiding the general work of the society, it is the intention of the board to provide for the local needs of the diocese of Cleveland. Rev. C. Treiber leaves for Cleveland this morning.

To Hear Appropriation-Case.

Probate Judge Bow on Monday morning impaneled the jury in the action of the Sugar Creek & Northern R. R. Co. against James Warwick et al.

The railroad company desires a right of way over the defendant's lands located in Sugar Creek township but they cannot agree upon the price to be paid hence the appropriation proceedings. It is said that the company seeks a strip of 100 feet in width. The jury in company with Sheriff Willsa viewed the premises Monday afternoon. Willson and Day and Judge Augat are attorneys for plaintiff. W. A. Lynch and J. C. Welty for defendants.

Wedding at Columbiana.

Salem, O., June 25.—Charles H. Co-bourn, deputy auditor, and Miss Effie Connors of Lisbon, were quietly married at Columbiana Sunday afternoon.

Disappearance Explained.

"What has become of the captains of industry we used to hear so much about?" said one military man. "They've all been promoted," answered the other; "and some of them have been pensioned."—Washington Star.

Acquired an Education.

"Well," remarked the man who favored a greater navy, "this war in the East is a great lesson to us." "That's what," replied the other. "I've learned a lot o' new names that I never knew were in the geographies."

Why the Jury Paid the Fine.

A Texan tells how an obstinate jurymen was circumvented by his fellow judges of the facts. The offense charged was assault with intent to murder. After the jury had been out two hours it returned the following verdict: "We, the jury, find defendant guilty of aggravated assault, and assess his punishment at \$25 fine and herewith pay the fine."

On inquiry as to the meaning of the last clause of the verdict it came out that eleven of the jurors had agreed that the defendant was not guilty but the twelfth doggedly hung out for a conviction for aggravated assault and would not consent to a punishment less than a fine of \$25. Finding it a hopeless task to bring over the obstinate one to their way of thinking the eleven finally decided to agree with him and "chipped in" enough to pay the fine.

Express trains now run from Mexico City to St. Louis in 59 1/2 hours, an average of 38 miles an hour.

John Wagner has returned to his home at Pittsburgh after having attended Father Wernat's first mass, Sunday.